

Grafton community coming together to support Social Inclusion

FREE FAMILY EVENT celebrating Social Inclusion Week and International Day for People with Disability
Grafton Showground, Prince Street
Thursday 25 November from 4pm

The Grafton community is coming together for the *We R One Day* at the Showground on 25 November to celebrate Social Inclusion Week and International Day for People with Disability.

Jason Kingsley Ability Linker in Grafton says “there will be free activities for kids and all ages including: Laser tag, jumping castle, face painting and the sand wizard. Come along and buy some Xmas gifts at the Twilight Market, grab yourself something to eat from the food stall before the outdoor cinema shows the free family movie *Inside Out* (G).

“CV Forward Steps – a support group for parents who have children with disability in their family – will be announcing their inaugural Access and Inclusion Business Awards on the night; acknowledging businesses doing a great job making families feel comfortable and welcome.

Everybody Belongs is launching a new short film highlighting the real difference we can all make to help kids with additional needs and their families feel welcome. Heather Tannock, Belonging Project Officer from Social Futures said “the film can really help people think again about the small things we can do – even a smile in a supermarket to show your support and understanding when someone’s child is not having a good day.”

We R One Day is a collaborative community event supported by Social Futures (Ability Links and The Belonging Project), House with no Steps, NSW Dept of Family and Community Services (Ageing Disability and Home Care), CRANES, Northcott, North Coast Primary Health Network, Clarence Valley Council and CV Forward Steps.

Social Inclusion Week runs from 19 to 27 November and aims to help Australians feel valued and to give people the opportunity to participate fully in society. It's about connecting with local communities, work mates, family and friends to build relationships and networks, and addressing isolation and exclusion by supporting people who may be unable help themselves.

International Day for People with Disability on 3 December aims to increase public awareness, understanding and acceptance of people with disability and celebrate their achievements and contributions to society.

Come long and join in this free Grafton *community* event packed with great things to do and share with friends and other people in your local community.

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